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# To The Chairman and Members of the Penybont Rural District Council

Sir, Lady and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the Annual Report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Rural District of Penybont for the year 1958. This Report has been prepared on the lines laid down in Circular 22/58 (Wales) of the Welsh Board of Health.

Area of the Rural District .....	42,318 acres.
Rateable Value, April, 1958 .....	£285,173
Estimated Product of a Penny Rate .....	£1,092
Registrar General's estimate of population—	
Mid 1958 .....	36,500

## Census Population Figures—

Census 1911 .....	22,324	
Census 1921 .....	27,710	
Census 1931 .....	29,209	Males 14,972 Females 14,237
Census 1951 .....	35,063	Males 18,007 Females 17,056
Censal Increase 1931-1952 .....	5,854	
Censal Increase percentage of 1931 population ...	20.0	
Number of inhabited houses, 1921 .....	5,832	
Number of inhabited houses, end 1958 .....	10,607	

## Extracts from Vital Statistics—

Live Births—	Total	Male	Female
Total Births .....	635	338	297
Legitimate .....	617	327	290
Illegitimate .....	18	11	7
Still Births .....	17	9	8
Legitimate .....	17	9	8
Illegitimate .....	—	—	—
Deaths:			
under 1 year of age ...	21	14	7
Legitimate .....	20	14	6
Illegitimate .....	1	—	1
Deaths:			
under 4 weeks of age ...	14	10	4
Legitimate .....	14	10	4
Illegitimate .....	—	—	—

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age: —	
All infants per 1,000 live births .....	33.07
Death Rate of Infants under 4 weeks of age: —	
All infants per 1,000 live births .....	22.05
Deaths from Cancer (all ages) .....	63
Deaths from Measles (all ages) .....	—
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) .....	—
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age .....	1

## GENERAL HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES

### 1.—Services provided by the Glamorgan County Council:

- a. At the Divisional Health Office, Quarella Road, Bridgend (Tel. No.: Bridgend 700), the following services are provided.

Maternity and Child Welfare, Home Nursing, Home Help, School Medical and Health Visiting. These services are administered by the Divisional Medical Officer.

- b. Mental Health Service: —

The duties of the duly authorised Officer in your area are carried out by Mr. D. Mahoney, 28, Tanyrallt Avenue, Bridgend. (Tel. No.: Bridgend 271).

- c. Ambulance Service: —

The ambulance station for your area is situated at Oak Street, Aberkenfig (Tel. No.: Aberkenfig 303).

- d. Welfare Service: —

The local office for this service is at the Divisional Health Office, Quarella Road, Bridgend (Tel. No.: Bridgend 1456). Officers of the Welfare Department are available to offer assistance and advice to those in need of hostel accommodation, the blind and the handicapped. In the Mid-Glamorgan area, there are three County Council Homes for aged persons. These are Craig-y-Parcau, Bridgend (31 men and women), Moorlands, Porthcawl (26 men and women), and Danygraig, Porthcawl (33 men and women).

- e. Children's Department: —

The office of the Children's Department of the County Council is at the County Hall, Cardiff.

There is, however, a sub-office at 25, Wyndham Street, Bridgend (Tel. No.: Bridgend 930).



## 2.—Hospital Services.

Hospital facilities for your area are administered by the Mid-Glamorgan Hospital Management Committee. The office of this Committee is at 8, Wind Street, Neath (Tel. No.: Neath 2251/3). The following is a list of the hospitals and clinics used by the residents of your area.

- (i) Bridgend General Hospital, Quarella Road,  
Bridgend (Tel. No.: Bridgend 1016/8) ... 381 beds
- (ii) Bridgend and District Cottage Hospital,  
Merthyr Mawr Road, Bridgend (Tel. No.:  
Bridgend 17) ..... 36 beds
- (iii) Cefn Hirgoed Isolation Hospital, Bridgend  
(Tel. No.: Bridgend 1178) ..... 78 beds  
(24 for Infectious Diseases; 54 for Tuberculosis).
- (iv) Heddfan, Cefn Hirgoed Small Pox Hospital,  
Bridgend (Tel. No.: Aberkenfig 240). 18 beds  
for Aged Persons.
- (v) Maesgwyn, Bryncethin.  
(Tel. No.: Aberkenfig 371). 61 beds for Aged  
Persons.
- (vi) Bridgend Chest Clinic, Old Cottage Hospital,  
Bridgend (Tel. No.: Bridgend 345).
- (vii) V.D. Clinic, Oakwood Street, Port Talbot.

There are three Mental Hospitals in your area and these are under the control of the Morgannwg Hospital Management Committee.

The following are the Hospitals: —

- 1. Penyfai Hospital ..... 120 beds
- 2. Glanrhyd Hospital ..... 780 beds
- 3. The Parc Hospital ..... 1042 beds

The above figures are the statutory number of beds, but as is common in most mental hospitals the average number of patients under treatment in hospital is far in excess of the statutory number.

## 3.—Services provided by Government Departments:—

The local offices of the Ministry of National Insurance, the National Assistance Board and the Ministry of Labour and National Service are now housed in one recently erected modern building in Angel Street, Bridgend. (Tel. No.: Bridgend 1440—5).



These offices serve the following areas in the Penybont Rural District: —

Aberkenfig, Tondy, Bryncethin, Brynmenin, Cefn Hirgoed, Coity, Heolycyw, Pencoed, Wick, Southern-down, Ogmores-by-Sea, Ewenny and Cefn Cribbwr.

The offices for the Western area of your district are situated at—

The Central Buildings, 57, Mary Street, Porthcawl (Tel. No.: 582).

These offices serve the following areas in the Penybont Rural District: —

Stormy Down, Cornelly, Kenfig, Kenfig Hill and Pyle.

Cases in receipt of benefit referred by the Ministry of National Insurance to the Welsh Board of Health and claimants of disablement benefit under the National Industrial Injury Act, are examined at Garth-Celyn, Merthyr Mawr Road, Bridgend. (Tel. No.: Bridgend 1658).

#### **4.—General Practitioner Services.**

This service is provided by the Glamorgan Executive Council, 47, Park Place, Cardiff. (Tel. No.: 26216).

#### **5.—Laboratory Facilities.**

All bacteriological and chemical analysis relating to water, milk and ice cream are carried out for your area by the Glamorgan County Public Health Laboratory, The Parade, Cardiff.

#### **Care of the Aged.**

As is permitted by the National Assistance Act, 1948, Section 31, the product of a penny rate is made available to Old Age Pensioners' Associations within your area. The Associations are informed that the money available to them is for the benefit of all old people within the area of the Association concerned.

## National Assistance Act, 1948.

### (a) *Section 50—Burial of the Dead.*

During the year the cost of burying four persons was accepted by your Council.

The total amount expended under this section of the Act was £36 17s. 6d.

### (b) *Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention.*

No action was taken by the Council under Section 47 of the Act during the year.

Three persons, however, were found to be in need of care and attention, and were persuaded to voluntarily enter Hospitals or Hostels.

Since 1948, a great deal has been done to assist the aged. They are entitled to a free Medical Service, the County and County Borough Councils have provided hostels and the aged are the greatest users of the Home Help Service and the Home Nursing Service. Housing Authorities have also provided bungalows or flats suitable for their needs. The National Assistance Board is available for extra assistance to supplement their pensions and the Women's Voluntary Service have given valuable assistance in providing facilities such as "the meals on wheels service."

In spite of all this, however, and owing to the increase in number of aged persons in the community, their care continues to be an important facet of the Health Service.

During this century, local authorities have always accepted the responsibility and provided a solution whenever there was a health problem in the community. In the past, owing to lack of Maternity care and Infant care, it became necessary to establish Ante-natal Clinics and Infant Welfare Clinics. Today, one hears murmurs of disappointment that these clinics are poorly attended due no doubt to an increased interest by other sections of the Health Service in this field. Perhaps the time has arrived when consideration should be given to the using of these established clinic buildings as clinics for the very time consuming work of helping the aged and channelling their difficulties to the quarters where help is available.

## Tuberculosis.

Facilities for the diagnosis, home and clinic treatment of Tuberculosis are obtained through Dr. Hugh Trail, Chest Physician, Old Cottage Hospital, Bridgend (Tel. No.: Bridgend 345). In this work he is assisted by an assistant Chest Physician. The Chest Physicians are also responsible for the medical treatment of the cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis at the Cefn Hirgoed Isolation Hospital.

As indicated in previous reports, the incidence of pulmonary tuberculosis continues to be stationary, except that the cases are now occurring in a higher age group.

The chronic cough in aged persons requires to be carefully investigated as frequently these persons are reservoirs of tuberculous infection and it is through them that the disease is spread.

No case of non-pulmonary tuberculosis was notified and for the fourth year in succession, no death occurred from non-pulmonary tuberculosis. Credit for this success story, in the main, is due to the progress made in the plans in the eradication of tubercle in cattle and to the fact that almost all the milk now consumed is pasteurised.

### (a) New Cases and Mortality during 1958.

Particulars of new cases of Tuberculosis and of deaths from the disease in the area during 1958.

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary M. F.		Non- Pulmonary M. F.		Pulmonary M. F.		Non- Pulmonary M. F.	
0—								
1—		1						
5—	1							
15—	3	3						
25—	1	4			1			
35—	2	3						
45—	1							
55—					1			
65 and upwards	1	1			2			
Totals ...	9	12			4			

(b) Cases Transferred to Register from other Areas during 1958.

										Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary	
M.		Pulmonary F.		Total		M.		Non-Pulmonary F.		Total	
2	...	6	...	8	...	2	...	1	...	11	

(c) Number of Cases on Tuberculosis Register at commencement of the Year.

Pulmonary						Non-Pulmonary						Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary	
M.		F.		Total		M.		F.		Total		Total	
175		...		142		...		317		...		403	
45		...		41		...		86		...		403	

(d) Number of Cases on Tuberculosis Register at end of Year.

Pulmonary						Non-Pulmonary						Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary													
M.		F.		Total		M.		F.		Total		Total													
166		...		146		...		312		...		42		...		37		...		79		...		391	

**NOTIFICATION OF TUBERCULOSIS DURING 1958  
AND THE PREVIOUS TWENTY YEARS**

Year	C A S E S			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
1937	17	17	3	11
1938	11	15	11	13
1939	13	17	11	10
1940	13	9	7	10
1941	23	12	8	11
1942	20	25	6	8
1943	15	25	14	19
1944	14	18	18	15
1945	21	18	11	16
1946	17	15	17	11
1947	35	20	13	9
1948	21	18	11	11
1949	25	26	10	9
1950	29	19	6	9
1951	27	18	9	8
1952	26	26	4	4
1953	24	17	3	9
1954	21	13	8	7
1955	26	13	8	1
1956	19	8	2	4
1957	13	10	4	3
1958	9	12	—	—

## DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING 1958 AND PREVIOUS TWENTY YEARS

Year	D E A T H S			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
1937	7	10	1	1
1938	3	6	—	2
1939	2	8	—	—
1940	10	10	—	2
1941	5	7	—	—
1942	14	3	2	1
1943	10	11	1	3
1944	4	9	5	2
1945	16	11	10	5
1946	5	12	2	2
1947	12	3	—	—
1948	13	5	—	1
1949	9	2	1	3
1950	9	5	3	1
1951	4	2	1	3
1952	5	—	1	—
1953	8	5	—	1
1954	10	4	1	1
1955	5	2	—	—
1956	5	3	—	—
1957	6	1	—	—
1958	4	—	—	—

## SANITARY CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

### 1.—Water.

The Mid-Glamorgan Water Board, established in 1920, and functioning since 1st January, 1921, supplies the water consumed in your district. The two main supplies are a soft water from the Uplands source, and a hard water from the Schwyll source at Merthyr-mawr.

The Board's by-laws prohibit the use of lead pipe, and in one source with water liable to plumbo-solvent action, soda ash treatment is given. This latter source supplies only a few properties in the Penybont Rural District.

During the year under review there have been no new sources of supply.



Of the 10,607 dwellings in your area 10,415 have an individual piped supply provided by the Board, and 11 a piped water supply under a private arrangement. There are, therefore, 181 dwellings without a mains water supply; these are isolated farms or dwellings which have their own arrangements for utilizing a nearby water source.

All dwellings which are within a distance of 100 yards of a water main have a piped water supply.

## 2.—Drainage and Sewerage.

The major part of your district is adequately sewered. Where there is an absence of sewers pail closets and cesspools are in use.

Although plans have been completed and Ministerial Inquiries held, no work has yet commenced on the schemes for the sewerage of the villages of Laleston and Coity. The latter is particularly urgent as the scheme provides for the sewerage of a large Mental Hospital of 1,042 beds.

Work on a scheme for the sewerage of the village of Coytrahen has been completed and good progress has been made in connecting the properties in this district to the sewer.

A main trunk sewer passes through your district from Aberkenfig via Bridgend to a sea outfall at Ogmores-by-Sea. This sewer is the responsibility of the Penybont Main Sewerage Board which is a Board consisting of representatives from the Penybont Rural District Council and the Bridgend Urban District Council.

For several years, the renewal of this main sewer has been necessary but owing to a High Court Injunction against the Board, prohibiting the discharge of sewage in any form into the river Ogmores, they have been unable to proceed with a scheme. The Penybont Main Sewerage Board were, therefore, forced to promote a Bill in Parliament for enlarging their powers in regard to the discharge of sewage and effluent. They were successful in this action so it is to be hoped that the Board will now be in a position to proceed with this main scheme which will cost in the region of £450,000 to £500,000. The new works will prevent the serious pollution of the beach at Ogmores-by-Sea and enable the Council to proceed with the sewerage of the village of Coity.

### 3.—Closet Accommodation.

Particulars of conversion of pail or earth closets to water closets during the year: —

Number of Conversions .....	39
(a) To sewers .....	30
(b) To cesspools .....	9

At the end of the year 1958, the number of closets were as follows: —

Water closets to sewer .....	10,399
Water closets to cesspools .....	1,074
Pail or earth closets .....	678

These figures do not include the Mental Hospitals, the Smallpox Hospital or the Isolation Hospital.

All the 360 houses built by the Council were connected to sewers.

Of the 275 houses built by private enterprise, 247 were connected to sewers and 36 to cesspools.

### 4.—Public Cleansing.

The Council has organised the collection of House Refuse throughout the district twice weekly.

### 5.—Cesspool Cleansing.

Four free cleansings are given to each cesspool per annum throughout the Penybont District, where necessary and where further cleansings are required, a charge is made which varies to the size of the cesspool. The Council have two cesspool cleansing vehicles.

### 6.—Night Soil Removal.

This work is carried out by contract on a small scale in parts of the parishes of Pyle, Llangynwyd Lower and Laleston.

### 7.—Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

In accordance with Article 27 (Section 18) of the Sanitary Officer's Order (outside London) Regulations, the following is the Sanitary Inspector's tabulated statement:



	No. of Inspec- tions	In- formal Notices	Work Done	Work not Done	Work in pro- gress	Statu- tory Notices	Work Done	Work not Done	Work in pro- gress
Public Health Acts .....	1436	180	157	23	8	25	25	—	—
Housing Acts:—									
1 Recorded Houses .....	58	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 Other Houses .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3 New Houses .....	281	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 Overcrowding .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Slaughterhouses, Butchers Shops .....	84	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Knackers' Yards .....	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Factories, etc. ....	98	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Schools .....	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cinemas .....	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Petrol and Carbide Stores .....	141	82	38	44	12	—	—	—	—
Shops and Food Premises .....	158	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rats and Mice .....	232	—	146	—	—	—	—	—	—
Infectious Diseases									
1 Investigation .....	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fumigation .....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drains Tested .....	168	11	11	—	—	—	—	—	—
Connections to Water Mains .....	4	1	1	—	—	2	2	—	—
Refuse Accumulations .....	24	24	24	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total .....	2729	306	385	67	20	27	27	—	—

## 8.—Shops.

It was not found necessary during the year to serve notices under the provisions of the Shops Act, 1934, relating to ventilation, and the temperature of shops. The number of shops inspected was 158.

## 9.—Camping Sites.

Total number of camping sites ..... 9

Besides the above the Council have a camping site at Heronstone Lane, which is used to assist the inadequately housed and those working for short periods within the area.

During the year the Council discussed the problems created by gipsies wishing to rest in the district. Although the establishing of a camp reserved for gipsies was considered, the Council felt that such an action would create added difficulties without producing any advantages.

## 10.—Atmospheric Pollution.

Atmospheric pollution is not an acute problem in your area. Complaints of dust nuisance from the railway sheds at Tondur were received and voluntary action taken to minimise this nuisance. These sheds are sited in a built up area so complete removal of this nuisance is unlikely to occur until steam engines have been replaced by diesel engines.

## 11.—Eradication of Bed Bugs.

(1) 1.—(a) The number of Council houses found to be infested was 1.

(b) The number of other houses found to be infested was nil.

As in previous years the premises of all the applicants allocated Council houses or transferring Council houses were examined by the Public Health Inspectors for cleanliness. Also all vacant Council houses were inspected for clearance certificates after being repaired.

## 12.—Rodent Control.

This is the last year for the cost of this service to be subject to a 50 per cent. grant from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. In future all the cost will be borne by the Council.

A full-time rodent operator is employed by the Council for the destruction of rats throughout the district. All the complaints from private and business premises were attended to, the treatment being carried out free of charge in private premises but the cost of treatment at business and commercial premises was recovered.

The number of inspections made during the year was as follows:—

Dwelling houses .....	233
Council premises .....	23
Agricultural premises .....	42
Business premises .....	15

The number of surface treatments carried out during the year was—204.

Dwelling houses .....	152
Council properties .....	37
Business premises .....	15

As directed by the Divisional Office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, during the year two maintenance treatments in sewers were carried out in your district.

## FACTORIES

The factories in the district have been systematically inspected and the details as required by the Factory Act, 1937 are set out in the table below.

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to Health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of—		Occupiers Prosecuted
		Inspections	Written Notices	
Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced ... by Local Authorities. ....	3	... ... 20	... ... —	... ... —
Factories not included above in which Section 7 is enforced ... by the Local Authority .....	133	... ... 78	... ... —	... ... —
Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local ... Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) .....	12	... ... 15	... ... —	... ... —
Total .....	148	... 113	... —	... —

## Factories—Continued

### 2.—Cases in which DEFECTS were found.

Premises	Number of cases in which defects were found—					Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector		
Want of cleanliness (S.1) .....	4	...	4	...	...	—
Overcrowding (S.2) .....	—	...	—	...	...	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) .....	—	...	—	...	...	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) .....	—	...	—	...	...	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) .....	1	...	1	...	...	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)—						
(a) Insufficient .....	—	...	—	...	...	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective .....	5	...	5	...	...	—
(c) Not separate for sexes .....	—	...	—	...	...	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) .....	—	...	—	...	...	—
Total .....	10	...	10	...	...	—

## RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951

This Act came into force on the 1st November, 1951.  
The following were granted renewal of their licences during the year:—

- 1.—Messrs. Christie-Tyler, Ltd., in respect of building at Bennet Street, Bridgend Industrial Estate, Chair and Seat Manufacturers.
- 2.—Messrs. Western Upholstery, Ltd., in respect of building at Bennet Street, Bridgend Industrial Estate, Chair and Seat Manufacturers.
- 3.—Messrs. Davies & Thomas (Bridgend) Ltd., in respect of building 5 F 3 off Kingsway, Industrial Estate, Bridgend, Coach Trimmers.

### HOUSING

Number of Council owned Houses:

Temporary and Permanent .....	4,029
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Number of New Houses erected during the year:

(a) By Local Authority .....	360
(b) By Private Enterprise, etc. ....	275

Inspection of Dwelling-Houses:

(1) Clearance Areas (one) .....	8
(2) Closing and Demolition Orders Housing Act, 1957:	
(a) Houses demolished .....	1
(b) Part buildings closed .....	1
(c) Closing Orders (1957) Act .....	40

During the year 62 families with a total of 288 persons were re-housed as a result of Closing or Demolition Orders.

(3) Local Authority houses certified unfit by M.O.H. ....	37
(This involved suitably re-housing 34 families involving 117 persons).	

(4) Housing Repairs:

	No. of Houses
(a) Unfit houses made fit by—	
(1) Informal action .....	84
(2) Formal action:—	
Public Health Acts—	
(a) By Owners .....	23
(b) By Council .....	—
Housing Acts:—	
(a) By Owners .....	—
(b) By Council .....	—
(5) Number of Improvements Grants approved .....	47
(6) Closing Orders revoked .....	1



## Demolition.

The Demolition Survey Sub-Committee kept under review the properties in your Area scheduled for demolition. As in previous years, the House Letting Committee allocated one house out of every seven erected to persons occupying premises scheduled for demolition.

## RENT ACT 1957.

This Act came into operation on the 6th July, 1957 and follows upon the Rent and Repairs Act of 1954. The Act has two purposes in that it frees from rent control houses (including flats) above certain levels of rateable value and secondly allows limited increases in rents of houses still under control. Opportunity is given tenants, upon whom increases of rent have been imposed, of obtaining general repairs sometimes outside the purview of the Public Health Acts.

Twenty-five applications for Certificates of Dis-repair were received and 15 were granted. In 9 cases the work was carried out satisfactorily and the Certificates revoked.

Satisfactory undertakings from landlords were received in 5 cases, the remaining cases being not granted.

## Houses and Sanitary Improvements carried out during the year

### REPAIRS TO HOUSES

#### 1.—INTERIOR OF HOUSES—

1 Ceilings renewed or repaired .....	74
2 Staircases renewed or repaired .....	9
3 Floors renewed or repaired .....	24
4 Grates and ovens renewed or repaired .....	21
5 Defective plaster to walls made good .....	53
6 Doors and frames renewed or repaired .....	18
7 Windows and frames renewed or repaired .....	31
8 Properly ventilated food stores provided or repaired ...	8
9 Wash-up sinks provided or renewed .....	16
10 Defective hot water service renewed or repaired .....	4
11 Skirting boards provided or renewed .....	17
12 Baths with H. and C. water provided .....	—
	280

#### 2.—EXTERIOR OF HOUSES—

13 Chimneys re-built or repaired .....	14
14 Roofs re-slatted or repaired .....	18
15 Walls cemented, or cemented and rough-casted .....	32
16 Down-pipes and gutters renewed or overhauled .....	41
17 Paved areas renewed or repaired .....	13
18 Washing accommodation provided or repaired .....	6
19 Defective sink waste pipes renewed .....	13
20 Ground abutting on walls removed .....	2
21 Walls re-pointed .....	15



### 3.—SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS—

22 Yard gullies provided or renewed .....	21	
23 Drains provided (no drains previously) .....	34	
24 Defective drains repaired .....	11	
25 New inspection chamber covers provided .....	11	
26 Choked drains relieved .....	16	
27 Cesspools provided or repaired .....	13	
28 Drain vent shafts renewed or repaired .....	7	
29 New w.c. pans fixed .....	36	
30 Flush tanks to w.c's., installed or repaired .....	37	
31 Water service to w.c's. renewed or repaired .....	28	
32 Closet accommodation renewed or repaired .....	18	
33 Conversion of pail closets to water closets .....	39	
		— 455

### 4.—WATER SUPPLIES—

Defective service pipes renewed .....	6	
Outside water service taken into house .....	3	
		— 9

### 5.—GENERAL—

Verminous houses cleansed .....	1	
Rat infested premises dealt with .....	146	
		— 147

## Allocation of Council Houses.

As a result of the satisfactory building programme of the Council, the housing difficulties within the area have been to a large degree overcome. Although there still remains 1,064 applicants on the housing lists the Housing Manager informs me that only about 610 of those are in need. The remainder being either tenants of houses or adequately housed.

The main complaint these days from applicants is not overcrowding, but lack of modern amenities within the accommodation they have. The Council has given consideration to this aspect and are prepared to give special consideration to those applicants occupying houses without modern amenities who have been on the housing list for 20 years.

As reported in my last Annual Report, it is much better for these older type of private houses to be occupied by an owner/occupier who will provide these amenities with the assistance of an Improvement Grant. Landlords, unfortunately, do not appear to be desirous of availing themselves of these Grants for the benefit of their tenants.

During the year 19 applicants were housed for urgent medical reasons and many transfers effected.

I should like to take the opportunity of thanking the House Letting Committee and the Housing Manager for their co-operation in connection with the medical cases submitted.

1.	Number of houses owned by the Council .....	4,029
2.	Number of houses built by the Council from 1st January, 1958 to 31st December, 1958 ...	360
3.	Number of applicants granted Housing accom- modation during the year: —	
	(a) Normal points list and Clause IV "Exces- sive Overcrowding" .....	130
	(b) Ill-health—List "B" .....	19
	(c) Demolition and Closing Orders .....	99
	(d) Steel Company of Wales' Lettings .....	69
	(e) Special .....	36
	(f) Key Workers .....	1
	(g) Old Age Pensioners .....	9
	Total Houses Let .....	363
4.	Number of applicants for houses as registered in: —	
	31st Dec. 1957	31st Dec. 1958
	Pyle Zone .....	450
	Sarn Zone .....	275
	Southern Zone .....	57
	Pencoed Zone .....	207
	Llangynwyd Zone .....	50
	Total .....	1,064

## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

### (a) Milk Supply.

The standard of milk supplied continues to be high. On the suggestion of the Welsh Board of Health the routine biological examination of milk was discontinued. This action was made possible due to your district being within a specified area, the increased number of dairy herds attested and the more widespread distribution of pasteurised milk.

The following licences for the retailing of milk in your area were granted by the Authority: —

Pasteurised Milk .....	22
Tuberculin Tested Milk .....	8
Tuberculin Tested Pasteurised Milk .....	21
Sterilised Milk .....	4
Chanel Islands Milk .....	6

In addition to the above, 28 Supplementary Licences for retailing milk in your area were issued. In connection with this group, 10 of the Principal Licences were issued by the Cowbridge Authority, 11 by the Bridgend Authority, 4 by the Maesteg Authority and 3 by the Porthcawl Authority.

(b) **Meat and Other Foods.** Regular inspection of all shops, stalls and vehicles is carried out.

(c) **Adulteration, etc.** Public Health Inspectors of the Glamorgan County Council are responsible for the sampling under the Foods and Drugs Act, 1955. The following samples were taken in the Council's area during 1958—

Almonds (ground) .....	4	Margarine .....	2
Aspirins .....	1	Marmalade .....	1
Baking Powder .....	1	Marzipan .....	1
Bicarbonate of Soda .....	1	Meat Paste .....	3
Butter .....	5	Meat Products (canned) .....	3
Cake Sponge Mix. etc. ...	15	Milk .....	314
Cereals .....	5	Mince meat .....	2
Coffee & Chicory .....	2	Mint Sauce .....	1
Colouring .....	2	Mustard .....	1
Condensed Milk .....	2	Orange and Lemon Curd .....	1
Cooking Fat .....	2	Parsley and Sage (dried) .....	1
Cornflour .....	1	Peas (dried) .....	1
Cream .....	8	Pearl Barley .....	2
Desiccated Coconut .....	5	Pepper .....	2
Dessert Powder .....	3	Pudding (canned) .....	3
Evaporated Milk .....	2	Rice .....	1
Fish (canned) .....	7	Sago .....	3
Fish Paste .....	5	Salad Cream .....	2
Flavouring .....	1	Sauces .....	3
Flour .....	2	Sauce Powder .....	1
Fruit (canned) .....	6	Sherbert .....	1
Fruit (dried) .....	4	Soft Drinks .....	14
Gelatine .....	1	Soup (canned) .....	4
Glace Cherries .....	1	Spices .....	3
Glucose .....	1	Sweets .....	1
Gravy Browning .....	1	Syrup .....	1
Health Salts .....	1	Table Jelly .....	1
Ice Cream .....	7	Tapioca .....	1
Icing Sugar .....	1	Tea .....	9
Jam .....	1	Vegetables (canned) .....	6
Lard .....	2	Vinegar .....	6
Lentils .....	1	Curry Powder .....	1
Macaroni .....	2	Salt .....	1

## FOOD POISONING

Five cases of food poisoning were notified during the year. These occurred during the month of October and the organism responsible was *Salmonella typhi-murium*.

The food responsible for this outbreak was not identified with certainty although pork and pork sausages were under suspicion.

It is worth noting that the cases occurred during a period when it was known that pigs were frequently infected with *Salmonella typhi-murium*.

## SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There are three licensed private slaughterhouses which are small but well maintained.

Public slaughterhouse facilities are available for your area in the Bridgend and Port Talbot Slaughterhouses.

## CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding Cows			Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs		Pigs	
Number killed (if known) ...	6	...	Nil	...	9	...	647	...	245
Number Inspected .....	6	...	Nil	...	9	...	647	...	245
<i>All Diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:</i>									
Whole Carcasses condemned	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ...	1	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	30	...	Nil
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysterci .....	16.66		Nil	...	Nil	...	4.626	...	Nil
<i>Tuberculosis only:</i>									
Whole Carcasses condemned	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned .....	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	11
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with Tuber- culosis .....	Nil		Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	4.49
<i>Cysticercosis:</i>									
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned .....	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil
Carcasses submitted to treat- ment by refrigeration .....	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil
Generalised and totally con- demned .....	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil

## KNACKER'S YARDS

There is only one Knacker's Yard in your area. It is owned and operated by Messrs. A. C. Beresford & Sons and is situated at Hendre, Pencoed. By-products of the plant are fats and bone meals. Over the past few years extensions to the factory have been added and additional facilities for the use of work people have been provided. From visits made from time to time, it is noted that the business is conducted satisfactorily.



## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The year under review passed without any serious outbreak of notifiable diseases. Today most of these diseases cause little anxiety. This is due to our greater knowledge of the condition and to the availability of antibiotics. When one examines the general problem of the notification of infectious diseases, one appreciates that there is not a 100 per cent. notification but, however, one is entirely satisfied that the notification of the "Killing" diseases such as the Enteric Dysentery group, Poliomyelitis, Diphtheria, Meningococcal infection and Tuberculosis is quite complete.

In ones approach to this matter it must be remembered that the whole basic principle of notifying a disease is to enable one to take action against its spread.

The case of Typhoid fever reported occurred in the Parc Mental Hospital where for many years the mental patients who are typhoid carriers are isolated.

### Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the Year 1958

Disease	Under 1 year	1- 2-	2- 3-	3- 4-	4- 5-9	5-9	10- 14	15- 24	25 & over	Age Un- known	Total
Scarlet Fever ...		1	1		2	10	7			1	22
Whooping Cough ...	1			2	1	2					6
Measles .....	2	3	5	6	6	16	4	1	1	1	45
Acute Pneumonia									4	1	5
Puerperal Pyrexia ...								3	2	1	6
Dysentery ...	1		2		1				1		5
Meningococcal Infection ...	1										1
Food Poisoning ...					1	2	2				1
Typhoid Fever									1		
	5	4	8	8	11	30	13	4	9	1	93

# NOTIFIABLE DISEASES IN THE VARIOUS DISTRICTS

AREA	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	Measles	Acute Pneumonia	Puerperal Pyrexia	Dysentery	Meningococcal Infection	Food Poisoning	Typhoid Fever	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis
Southern ...	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—
Pyle and Kenfig Hill ...	—	—	14	—	1	—	—	—	—	5	—
Sarn .....	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Aberkenfig ... and Tondy ...	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	4	—
Bryncethin and Blackmill ...	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	—
Bryntirion and Laleston ...	2	—	11	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Litchard & Coity	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	3	—	1	—
Pencoed and Coychurch ...	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Morgannwg Hospital ...	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Llangynwyd ...	10	—	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Cornelly ...	1	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Cefn Cribbwr & Tythegston ...	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Abergarw											
Brynmenyn ...	6	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
Heolycyw ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
Total ...	22	6	45	5	6	5	1	5	1	21	—



# Notifiable Diseases for each Month in 1958

DISEASE	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Scarlet Fever .....	2		1			1	1		1	4	3	9	22
Whooping Cough .....			1				1			1	2		6
Measles .....	4	3		6	7	12	8	1	2	2		1	45
Acute Pneumonia .....		1	3								1		5
Puerperal Pyrexia .....			1		1		4		1				6
Dysentery .....		2	1				2						5
Meningococcal Infection ...	1												6
Food Poisoning .....										5			5
Typhoid .....		1											1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis ...	5	1		1	3	3		2	2	2		2	21
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis .....													
Total ...	12	8	6	7	11	16	16	3	6	14	6	12	117

## Deaths from Cancer

Organ affected	0—24 years		25—44 years		45—64 years		65 up years		Total	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Throat .....					1		1	1	1	2
Stomach .....			1		1	1	7	4	9	5
Colon .....					1		2	3	3	3
Oesophagus .....					1					1
Pancreas .....							1			1
Uterus and Ovary .....					1		3			4
Lung and Bronchus ...			2		5		5	1	12	1
Breast .....					2		3			5
Bladder .....					1		1		1	1
Rectum .....							3	1	3	1
Bone .....			1		1	1	1		3	1
Prostrate .....							2		2	
Gall Bladder .....					1		1			2
Liver .....					1	1			1	1
Total ...			4		10	9	21	19	35	28

## DEATHS IN VARIOUS MONTHS, 1958

Month		Deaths Registered		Outward Trans- ferable		Inward Trans- ferable		Total Local Deaths
January	...	48	...	4	...	17	...	61
February	...	40	...	6	...	14	...	48
March	...	45	...	6	...	12	...	51
April	...	39	...	10	...	15	...	44
May	...	52	...	10	...	15	...	57
June	...	37	...	4	...	8	...	41
July	...	19	...	6	...	17	...	30
August	...	23	...	2	...	13	...	34
September	...	16	...	5	...	13	...	24
October	...	36	...	7	...	9	...	38
November	...	30	...	3	...	8	...	35
December	...	45	...	6	...	13	...	52
		430	...	69	...	154	...	515

# Vital Statistics of whole District during 1958 and previous 38 years

Year	Population estimated to middle of each year	Live Births			Total Deaths Registered in the District		Transferable Deaths			Nett Deaths belonging to District		
		Uncorrected Number	Nett		Number	Rate	Of Non-registered residents in the District	Of Resi-dents not registered in the District	Number	Rate per 1,000 Births	Number	At all Ages
			Number	Rate								Rate
1920	25000	736	741	29.6	452	18.0	173	30	63	85.0	309	12.3
1921	28100	698	700	24.8	412	14.6	157	34	63	90.0	289	10.2
1922	28920	655	662	22.8	496	17.8	214	40	59	89.1	322	11.1
1923	29510	657	663	22.4	403	13.6	175	32	39	58.8	259	8.7
1924	29510	680	691	23.4	395	13.3	153	27	38	54.9	269	9.1
1925	30530	611	635	20.7	431	14.0	185	38	38	59.8	284	9.3
1926	32300	665	677	21.9	399	12.9	167	38	41	60.5	270	8.5
1927	32700	551	565	17.2	433	13.2	171	45	46	81.0	307	9.0
1928	32140	540	564	17.5	394	12.2	156	47	40	70.9	285	8.8
1929	31130	554	584	18.7	428	13.7	175	37	45	77.0	290	9.3
1930	31130	475	506	16.2	387	12.4	139	64	34	67.1	312	10.0
1931	29330	458	481	16.4	421	14.4	175	57	25	51.9	304	10.4
1932	29260	426	475	16.2	439	15.0	196	59	36	75.7	302	10.3
1933	29240	401	485	16.5	445	17.7	199	74	40	82.0	320	10.9
1934	29100	399	476	16.3	427	14.6	187	82	29	60.9	338	11.5
1935	29010	375	527	18.1	419	14.6	171	72	31	58.8	297	10.2
1936	28150	288	412	14.6	411	14.6	185	82	29	68.0	308	11.0
1937	27640	296	435	15.7	439	15.5	184	86	28	64.3	341	12.3
1938	27660	326	462	16.7	445	16.0	187	62	26	58.0	320	11.5
1939	30721	314	433	14.0	418	13.6	160	72	26	60.0	330	10.7
1940	31100	393	539	17.3	495	15.9	236	86	37	67.2	345	11.0
1941	32760	386	567	17.3	488	14.8	238	98	45	78.0	348	10.5
1942	32910	288	572	17.3	420	12.7	185	77	31	54.1	312	9.5
1943	32780	328	638	19.5	415	12.3	183	90	38	60.0	322	9.8
1944	31370	317	660	21.0	414	12.8	175	87	29	43.9	325	10.3
1945	30520	279	584	19.1	434	14.2	159	99	27	46.2	374	12.3
1946	33460	253	599	17.9	371	11.0	147	118	20	33.4	342	9.9
1947	33290	256	627	18.8	427	12.8	177	110	40	63.7	360	10.8
1948	34030	228	637	18.7	352	10.3	124	108	26	40.8	336	9.9
1949	34530	190	603	17.6	344	9.9	150	109	14	23.0	302	8.7
1950	34350	163	543	15.8	453	10.5	173	120	24	44.20	400	11.59
1951	33820	166	564	16.68	390	11.7	170	140	26	44.43	360	10.62
1952	34890	167	530	15.19	393	11.2	188	107	11	20.75	312	8.09
1953	35250	204	584	16.57	358	10.2	10	108	19	32.53	456	12.94
1954	35150	240	554	15.76	409	11.6	16	106	25	41.5	499	14.2
1955	35110	155	499	14.21	428	12.1	14	121	22	44.09	435	15.2
1956	35270	258	535	15.17	383	10.8	10	126	23	42.99	499	14.19
1957	35660	286	596	16.71	413	11.6	20	131	19	31.88	524	14.69
1958	36500	252	635	17.4	430	11.8	69	154	21	33.07	515	14.11



# Infantile Mortality during the Year 1958

Cause of Death	DAYS										MONTHS										Total 11- deaths 12 under 1 yr.	
	21 Total to under 28 days.																					
	0- 1- 2- 3- 4- 5- 6- 7- 14- 28 days mths. 2- 3- 4- 5- 6- 7- 8- 9- 10- mths. 1 yr.																					
Pneumonia											1	1	2								1	4
Immaturity	3	2			1							6										6
Gastroenteritis								1				1										1
Congenital Abnormalities		1			1	1						3	1									4
Atelectasis												1										1
Cerebral Haemorrhage	1											1										1
Asphyxia													1	1								2
Congenital Heart								1												1		2

Nett Births registered in the calendar years—635

Nett Deaths under 1 year registered in the calendar year—21

Legitimate, 617. Illegitimate, 18

Legitimate, 20 (Males 14, Females, 6)

Illegitimate, 1

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate, 22.05

Infant Mortality Rate—33.07

## Area of Residence of Births Registered

District	<i>Inward Transferable Births from Bridgend Maternity Home</i>	
	No. of live Births.	Live Births.
Heolycyw .....	8	11
Pencoed .....	27	32
Coychurch and Waterton .....	2	7
Corntown and Ewenny .....	4	4
St. Brides Major and Wick .....	4	5
Ogmore and Southerndown .....	3	4
Laleston and Merthyr-mawr .....	24	26
Pyle .....	32	40
Cornelly and Ton Kenfig .....	41	26
Kenfig Hill .....	17	33
Cefn Cribbwr .....	8	16
Peny-fai .....	4	4
Aberkenfig .....	6	21
Tondu .....	5	13
Coytrahen .....	2	—
Llangynwyd .....	4	6
Cwmfelin .....	2	—
Sarn .....	26	12
Bryn-coch and Bryn-cethin .....	9	20
Coity and Cefn Hirgoed .....	5	8
Litchard .....	7	8
Bryn-menin .....	12	12
Totals ...	252	309

In addition to the above there were 74 inward transferable births, 23 being from the Maesteg General Hospital and the majority of the remainder from the St. Athans Maternity Home.



# GLAMORGAN (ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY)—VITAL STATISTICS, 1958.

	Estimated Population 1958	Number of Births	BIRTHS		Number of Deaths	DEATHS		INFANT MORTALITY		NEO-NATAL MORTALITY	
			Rate per 1,000 Population Crude	Adjusted		Rate per 1,000 Population Crude	Adjusted	Deaths under 1 Year	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Deaths under 4 Weeks	Rate per 1,000 Live Births
England and Wales .....	...	738,323	16.4	...	526,792	11.7	...	16,620	22.50	—	—
Administrative County ...	743,100	12,243	16.48	16.32	8,829	11.88	13.66	353	28.83	251	20.50
Urban Districts .....	535,600	8,841	16.51	16.18	6,366	11.89	13.79	265	29.97	189	21.38
Rural Districts .....	207,500	3,402	16.40	16.73	2,463	11.87	13.18	88	25.87	62	18.22
HEALTH DIVISION.											
CONSTITUENT DISTRICTS.											
Aberdare and Mountain Ash—											
Aberdare Urban .....	39,860	564	14.15	14.57	591	14.83	15.27	16	28.37	13	23.05
Mountain Ash Urban .....	30,540	505	16.54	16.37	345	11.30	13.67	24	47.52	16	31.68
Caerphilly and Gelligaer—											
Caerphilly Urban .....	37,570	701	18.66	17.73	380	10.11	12.84	16	22.82	11	15.69
Gelligaer Urban .....	36,300	647	17.82	18.35	384	10.58	13.33	18	27.82	15	23.18
Mid-Glamorgan—											
Bridgend Urban .....	14,580	258	17.70	16.82	170	11.66	12.48	6	23.26	5	19.38
Maesteg Urban .....	22,720	386	16.99	16.99	243	10.70	13.48	12	31.09	7	18.13
Ogmore and Garw Urban ...	22,070	385	17.44	17.44	252	11.42	13.82	11	28.57	9	23.38
Porthcawl Urban .....	10,500	155	14.76	14.61	160	15.24	14.02	2	12.90	2	12.90
Penybont Rural .....	36,500	635	17.40	18.10	515	14.11	13.40	21	33.07	14	22.05
Neath and District—											
Neath M.B. ....	31,050	491	15.81	14.70	390	12.56	14.19	17	34.62	12	24.44
Neath Rural .....	41,440	631	15.23	14.93	450	10.86	13.79	14	22.19	8	12.68
Pontypridd and Llantrisant—											
Llantrisant Rural .....	25,930	483	18.63	17.88	282	10.88	13.93	15	31.06	11	22.77
Pontypridd Urban .....	37,550	579	15.42	14.80	472	12.57	13.58	14	24.18	12	20.73
Port Talbot and Glyncoirwg—											
Glyncoirwg Urban .....	9,900	205	20.71	20.30	104	10.51	15.03	7	34.15	5	24.39
Port Talbot M.B. ....	48,380	1,002	20.71	19.67	527	10.89	14.37	38	37.92	27	26.95
South East Glamorgan—											
Barry M.B. ....	42,160	745	17.69	16.96	440	10.44	11.48	21	28.19	13	17.45
Cardiff Rural .....	40,830	678	16.61	16.94	472	11.56	10.64	16	23.6	13	19.17
Cowbridge M.B. ....	1,000	11	11.00	11.44	14	14.00	14.56	—	—	—	—
Cowbridge Rural .....	19,050	358	18.79	20.86	133	6.98	12.15	10	27.93	7	19.55
Penarth Urban .....	19,280	307	15.92	15.76	247	12.81	11.66	7	22.80	6	19.54
West Glamorgan—											
Gower Rural .....	12,000	191	15.92	16.72	160	13.33	12.26	4	20.94	2	10.47
Llwchwr Urban .....	25,740	319	12.39	12.64	290	11.27	13.19	8	25.08	6	18.81
Pontardawe Rural .....	31,750	426	13.42	13.55	451	14.20	15.48	8	18.78	7	16.43
Rhondda—											
Rhondda M.B. ....	106,400	1,581	14.86	14.56	1,357	12.75	14.79	48	30.36	30	18.98



# Causes of Death in Penybont Rural District, 1958

## Population—36,500

Causes of Death.		M.	F.
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory .....	4	—
2.	Tuberculosis, other .....	—	—
3.	Syphilitic Disease .....	3	—
4.	Diphtheria .....	—	—
5.	Whooping Cough .....	—	—
6.	Meningococcal Infections .....	—	—
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis .....	—	—
8.	Measles .....	—	—
9.	Other infective parasitic diseases .....	1	—
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach .....	9	5
11.	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus .....	12	1
12.	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast .....	—	5
13.	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus .....	—	2
14.	Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms .....	14	15
15.	Leukaemia, Aleukaemia .....	—	1
16.	Diabetes .....	2	1
17.	Vascular Lesions of nervous system .....	41	30
18.	Coronary disease, Angina .....	63	33
19.	Hypertension with Heart disease .....	3	10
20.	Other Heart Disease .....	39	51
21.	Other Circulatory Diseases .....	6	12
22.	Influenza .....	—	—
23.	Pneumonia .....	16	8
24.	Bronchitis .....	12	10
25.	Other Diseases of Respiratory System .....	6	2
26.	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum .....	1	1
27.	Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea .....	2	—
28.	Nephritis and Nephrosis .....	1	6
29.	Hyperplasia of Prostrate .....	2	—
30.	Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion .....	—	—
31.	Congenital Malformations .....	4	3
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases .....	24	28
33.	Motor Vehicle Accidents .....	4	—
34.	All other Accidents .....	12	6
35.	Suicide .....	3	1
36.	Homicide and operations of war .....	—	—
All Causes—Total .....		284	231
Deaths of Infants under one year of age—			
Total .....		14	7
Legitimate .....		14	6
Illegitimate .....		—	1
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age—			
Total .....		10	4
Legitimate .....		10	4
Illegitimate .....		—	—
Live Births—Total			
Legitimate .....		338	297
Illegitimate .....		327	290
		11	7
Still Births—Total			
Legitimate .....		9	8
Illegitimate .....		9	8
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# Mid-Glamorgan Water Board.      RAINFALL RECORDS

For the Year ended 31st December, 1958.

Month	Merthyr- mawr 1	Bridgend 2	Schwyll 3	Llanharan 4	St. Athan 5	Pwllwy 6	Maesteg 7	Nanty- moel 8	Penty- cymmer 9
January	3.15	2.76	3.15	4.59	2.52	4.20	7.07	9.11	7.57
February	4.77	4.12	4.59	5.88	2.70	5.27	8.94	10.98	10.47
March	0.85	0.82	0.78	1.01	0.75	0.88	1.49	2.00	1.72
April	0.77	0.83	0.68	1.04	0.75	0.80	1.73	2.62	2.56
May	4.46	3.99	3.93	4.28	3.27	4.08	6.46	7.46	7.50
June	4.97	5.26	5.71	4.44	3.62	4.38	7.10	6.72	6.77
July	4.59	4.02	3.97	5.17	2.98	3.78	8.47	8.74	7.90
August	5.30	5.12	5.24	6.74	3.77	6.98	8.20	10.86	10.43
September	6.59	6.31	6.53	8.65	5.74	7.95	12.74	14.42	14.03
October	6.25	5.82	5.61	8.08	4.27	6.61	10.01	12.45	12.19
November	4.21	4.41	3.47	5.08	4.21	5.25	5.99	7.14	5.93
December	5.42	4.52	4.92	5.55	4.12	4.69	7.99	12.26	8.12
TOTALS	51.36	47.98	48.60	60.51	38.70	54.87	86.19	104.76	95.19
Long Term Aver.	42.90	...	40.84	49.97	...	...	...	...	...
Percentage of Long Term Average	119.9	—	119	121.5	...	...	—	84.70	82.64
					...	...	—	123.5	115.5

JOHN G. LLOYD,      Engineer and Manager.

An examination of the list of the causes of death in your area during the year discloses that 96 persons died from Coronary Disease or Angina and 63 from Cancer. As a large number of deaths from these diseases occur before the age of 60 it is felt that it is a problem that calls for every possible type of investigation on a national basis.

In conclusion, I would like to express to the Council my appreciation of the interest shown by the Members in matters affecting Public Health and to thank Dr. Kathleen Davies and Dr. B. T. Jones for deputising for me when required. Unfortunately during the year Mr. Williams, the Senior Health Inspector, was off duty due to ill health. I should like to thank the Staff for the added duties they accepted during his absence and particularly Mr. Battrock who accepted the greater part of this responsibility.

I am, Sir,

Lady and Gentlemen,

J. Alun Evans,

Medical Officer of Health.







